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Dear Ms. Hesse,

I understand we are in a period where you are looking for public comment on the proposed settlement with Microsoft. In light of this I would like to urge you to accept the proposed terms and resolve this matter for the following reasons.

I believe Microsoft has been significantly and negatively impacted by this more than three year suit. True some of their practices may have been heavy handed and even detrimental to competitors, but those same competitors such as AOL, Sun and Oracle have used the weight and resources of the state and federal legal system to attack and distract Microsoft. I say it is time to end this legal attack, and stop the use of taxpayers monies. Microsoft has agreed to a very reasonable and, frankly for the public and our schools, a extremely generous and beneficial program to compensate for any supposed harm that was done.

I strongly encourage you to move forward on resolving this matter and ending the battle that has consumed so much time and resource of the government and associated parties.

Thank you very much for all your efforts on behalf of the American people and for reviewing my comments.

Best Regards,

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